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The actual number of pondcrete blocks (triwalls) involved is 13,276 (as of January 7, 1990). It has been estimated that 6976 triwalls will need to be repackaged and 6310 triwalls will require remixing.

3. The current status of the pondcrete problem is as follows:
~~Currently none of the estimated 6310 pondcrete triwalls requiring~~
remixing have been processed. An enclosure for the mixing facility located outside of Building 788 has been designed and should be constructed by January 30, 1990. Three additional remixing facilities have been designed and will be located inside of heated tension membrane structures being erected on the pads. These facilities will be ready for operation the later part of January.

Approximately 126 people have been hired to date to operate the remixing and repackaging facilities.

4. Pondcrete is being stored at the Nevada Test Site (NTS) in what is referred to as interim retrievable storage, in compliance with the NTS interim RCRA permit. The final RCRA permit will specify the permanent disposal configuration. A likely option will be to leave the waste in place with additional earth over, or the waste may have to be relocated to another storage pit at the NTS.
5. The December 13, 1988 letter to Mr Twining is enclosed (Enclosure: 2).
6. The July 1986 DOE/EPA compliance agreement is enclosed (Enclosure: 3).
7. No other documents were deemed germane.
8. Point of contact for further questions is R. V. Bynum, Process Technology Development, Building 371, FTS 320-7100.

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Enclosures:
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